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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 10, 1973

Referred to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce

AN ACT

To amend the Communications Act of 1934 for one year with respect to certain agreements relating to the broadcasting of home games of certain professional athletic teams.

- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 That section 307 of the Communications Act of 1934 is
- 4 amended by inserting at the end thereof a new subsection
- 5 as follows:
- 6 "(f) On or after the date of enactment of this provision,
- 7 no television broadcast licensee, network television broadcast
- 8 organization, or cable television system shall perform or
- 9 otherwise carry out a contract, arrangement, or other under-
- 10 standing, express or implied, under which such station, net-

- 1 work, or system is prevented from broadcasting or carrying
- 2 the home games of any professional football, baseball, basket-
- 3 ball, or hockey team when tickets for admission to such game
- 4 are no longer available for purchase by the general public
- 5 seventy-two hours or more before the scheduled beginning
- 6 time of such game."
- 7 SEC. 2. The amendment made by this Act shall termi-
- 8 nate after one year following its date of enactment.

Passed the Senate September 6, 1973.

Attest:

FRANCIS R. VALEO,

Secretary.

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